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SUBJECT: CYPRUS TALKS: VIENNA II: DENKTASH'S CRITIQUE OF
LATEST ROUND

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

1. FOLLOWING MY MEETING WITH CLERIDES, I SAW DENKTASH
LATER SAME MORNING JUNE 8 AND HE GAVE ME LARGELY NEGATIVE
CRITIQUE ON RESULTS OF VIENNA II OF CYPRUS TALKS. HE
CONTENDED HE HAD OPPOSED AS QUOTE PREMATURE UNQUOTE
RETURN TO VIENNA ONLY ONE MONTH AFTER VIENNA I AND
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OBTAINING BEFORE BOTH SIDES HAD CHANCE TO DEVELOP

NEGOTIATING POSITIONS. HE WAS HOWEVER QUOTE PERSUADED UNQUOTE ON SHORT NOTICE TO RETURN TO VIENNA IN WAKE OF POSITIVE ATMOSPHERICS OF RECENT MEETING BETWEEN TURKISH AND GREEK PREMIERS WHO WERE IN BRUSSELS FOR NATO GATHERING.

2. DENKTASH ONCE AGAIN PROVIDED ME WITH LENGTHLY EXPOSE OF UNWILLINGNESS OF GREEKS TO ACCEPT PSYCHOLOGICALLY QUOTE NEW REALITIES OF SITUATION ON CYPRUS UNQUOTE AND HOW RECALCITRANT POSITION OF GREEKS WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE TOWARD LONG-TERM SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM.

3. DENKTASH SAID THAT HE PRESENTED TO CLERIDES HIS VIEWS ON FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF FUTURE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FOR CYPRUS AND THAT A SERIOUS DISCUSSION OF MATTER COULD HAVE ENSUED HAD CLERIDES SO DESIRED. INSTEAD, ACCORDING TO DENKTASH, CLERIDES TRIED PLOY OF PUSHING FOR DISCUSSION OF QUOTE PREMATURE QUESTIONS UNQUOTE (TERRITORY AND REFUGEES). DENKTASH REGISTERED POINT WITH CLERIDES THAT CURRENT PSYCHOLOGY OF SITUATION AND POLITICAL POWER POSITION OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT PRECLUDE MEANINGFUL DISCUSSION OF THESE ISSUES AT THIS TIME.

4. ON MATTER OF TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT DENKTASH DESCRIBED HIS SUGGESTION AS EFFORT TO STEM MOVE TOWARD FURTHER ESTRANGEMENT BETWEEN TWO COMMUNITIES ON CYPRUS. TO ESTABLISH JOINT ADMINISTRATION FOR SPECIFIC LIMITED TASKS WOULD HAVE IN DENKTASH'S VIEW POSITIVE PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL BENEFITS, THUS PAVING WAY FOR DEALING WITH MORE SENSITIVE ISSUES LATER. ACCORDING TO DENKTASH, CLERIDES DISMISSED SUGGESTION AS BEING IN EFFECT CLEVER TACTIC OF TURKS TO OBTAIN ACCEPTANCE OF STATUS QUO.

5. DENKTASH INDICATED HE HOPED TO COMPLETE WORK IN NEXT WEEKS ON NUMBER OF WORKING PAPERS ON HIS SUGGESTIONS RE FUTURE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, TO BE GIVEN TO CLERIDES FOR HIS CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO VIENNA III.

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6. I WAS STRUCK BY ONE UNDERLYING MAIN THEME IN DENKTASH'S CONVERSATION WITH ME, WHICH CAN BE PARAPHRASED AS FOLLOWS. TURKS INDIVIDUALLY ARE SEEKING JUST SOLUTION TO CYPRUS PROBLEM BUT AS POLICY MAKERS FACE ENORMOUS POLITICAL OBSTACLES. ANY SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM MUST REFLECT HONEST CONCERNS, BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, OF TURKEY AND OF TURKISH CYPRIOT

COMMUNITY. GREEK PROPAGANDA MAY BE BETTER AND MORE
EFFECTIVE AT MOMENT IN GENERATING SYMPATHETIC WORLD
VIEWPOINT WHICH AGAIN SEEMS TO BE QUOTE ANTI-TURK
UNQUOTE. NEVERTHELESS, TURKS ARE PREPARED TO GO IT
ALONE, IF NECESSARY, SHOULD GREEKS CONTINUE THEIR
EFFORTS TO AVOID REASONABLE SETTLEMENT.

7. DENKTASH ALSO SCHEDULED DEPART VIENNA MID-DAY
JUNE 8 FOR CONSULTATIONS STOP IN ANKARA BEFORE RETURNING
CYPRUS.

8. DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS APPROPRIATE POSTS AS DESCRIBED.
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